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RESERVE FUND.....\$4,300,000  
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PRO-  
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Debtors granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1889. 363

N.O.T.O.E.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG  
SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and the beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is marked "On Hongkong Savings' Bank." Correspondence forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
G. E. NOBLE,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 754

## Intimations.

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM-  
WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the BALANCE of FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50) due on each Share is now being called for. Shareholders are requested to pay the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION OR ON before the 31st day of July instant.

Any calls remaining UNPAID after that date will be charged INTEREST at the Rate of 5 PER CENT. per annum, in accordance with the Articles of Association.

MAGDELEN FRIERKE & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, July 9, 1889. 1812

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

A N ENGLISH CLERK, about 25 years of age, is required for the Office of the Company. Written applications for the appointment, accompanied with references, will be received by the undersigned until the 1st instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 10, 1889. 1370

## Intimations.

No. 24.  
CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that TUESDAY NEXT, the 23rd instant (6th Moon 2684), being the BIRTHDAY OF HIS MAJESTY THE EMPEROR OF CHINA, will be observed as a HOLIDAY at the HONGKONG CUSTOMS AND STATION. All Examination of Cargo and clearing of Junks will be suspended on that date.

E. MORGAN,  
Commissioner of Customs,  
Custom House, Kowloon and Districts.

HONGKONG, 18th July, 1889. 1403

THE CHINESE AMUSEMENTS  
SYNDICATE, LIMITED.

THE SYNDICATE invite TENDERS for the RENTAL of a REFERMENT BOOTH at their Grounds at BOWRING'S HILL, which will be OPENED to the Public in a few weeks.

The Booth and STALLS will be confined to a certain portion of the Grounds and will be erected at the cost of the persons whose Tenders are accepted.

Applicants so Tendering will please say what rental per month they are prepared to pay and those applying for Stalls will please state for what purposes they are required.

Tender to be sent in marked "Tender for Booth" or "Tender for Stalls," as the case may be, not later than the 24th instant, to the Undersigned.

J. A. BURTON,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 10, 1889. 1403

THE HONGKONG MARINA,  
LIMITED.

THE SHARE LIST will close on Thursday next, at 3 p.m.

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OF THE COMMUNITY.

THE FUTURE HEALTH-RESORT  
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SEE OPINION OF DR. GANTILL.

In Answer to numerous Enquiries as to whether the MARINA can be insured against Marine risks, it may be stated that several Offices in the Colony have already been questioned on the point, with the result that provided certain conditions as regards construction are complied with, there will be no difficulty in effecting an insurance on the risk.

For full Prospectus and Form of Application for Shares, apply to the Company's OFFICES or the Bankers, the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

2, D'AGUILAR STREET.

Hongkong, July 19, 1889. 1414

WANTED.

FOR MANILA.—A Good NURSE or  
NURSERY GOVERNESS. Applying  
state Terms required and References, to  
A. S. Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, May 20, 1889. 826

VICTORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL,  
YOKOHAMA.

THIS SCHOOL, situated in a very healthy position on the Bay, provides good EDUCATION FOR BOYS from 8 to 17. Boarders taken. Prospectus with Office of this Paper.

C. H. SHINTON, M.A., Oxon,  
Head Master.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON  
WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of TWO AND A HALF DOLLARS per Share will be payable to those Persons who are registered Shareholders on 22nd July, 1889.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 22nd to 29th July both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, July 2, 1889. 1283

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND  
MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY,  
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By Order of the Board,

EDWARD OSBORNE,  
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Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 754

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EDWARD OSBORNE,  
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Hongkong, July 10, 1889. 1358

## Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

EX-STEAMSHIP GLENROY.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S AND JOHN MOIR'S  
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ELLIES, TART, TRUFLA, POTTED MEATS, BLOATER PASTES, CAVIARE, HORSE-RADISH, SALAD OIL, SALAD DRESSING, STRAWBERRIES IN SYRUP, DESSERT FRUITS IN SYRUP, BEEF, BEEF AND NOVEL, TONGUES, ANCHOVIES IN OIL, SARDINES, FISH, AND ENGLISH PATTIES, SAUCES, VEGETABLES, HADDOCKS, HERRINGS, BRAINS, SAUSAGES, Aberdeen PIE, Aberdeen SAUSAGE &c. &c.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

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Hongkong, July 17, 1889.

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Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

This Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal HOTELS in the place.

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# THE CHINA MAIL.

## Notices to Consignees.

**STEAMSHIP SAGHAIEN.**  
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre ex. Steamship Manche, and from Bordeaux ex. S.S. Congo, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Oilum, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, Howthong, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 2 p.m. To-day (Tuesday), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Tuesday, the 23rd instant, at noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at one-half per cent.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 25th instant (Thursday), or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, July 16, 1889. 1379

FROM BATAVIA AN GAPORE.

THE Steamship *Canno*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 22nd instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damage and/or shortages not later than the 29th instant, otherwise they will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, July 16, 1889. 1368

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALOUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Arrion*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 26th July will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damage and/or shortages not later than the 29th instant, otherwise they will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, July 18, 1889. 1395

Intimations.

**CHINESE MAIL**  
(WAH TSZ YAT PO.)

APPLICATIONS for the LEASE of this Long-established NATIVE PAPER will be RECEIVED by the Undersigned.

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,  
China Mail Office.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 PAID-UP CAPITAL, 2,500,000 RESERVE FUND, 1,250,000

Board of Directors:

HON. J. J. KESWICK,  
Chairman, Managing Director.

HON. O. P. CHATER,  
Vice-Chairman, Director.

E. A. SOLOMON, Esq.

J. S. MOSES, Esq.

S. C. MICHAELSON, Esq.

G. E. MORIE, Esq.

LEE SING, Esq.

POON PONG, Esq.

Bankers:

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

MONEY ADVANCED ON MORTGAGE, ON LAND OR BUILDINGS; PROPERTIES PURCHASED AND SOLD.

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Full Particulars can be obtained at the Company's OFFICE, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

A SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary.

Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, 3rd May, 1889. 844

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GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY in great variety.

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FANCY WORK with neatness and despatch,

and at very moderate rates.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## To Let.

**TO LET.**  
2ND FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 64, and GROUND FLOOR of HOUSE No. 6, Queen's Road Central.

Apply to LAI HING & Co., No. 183, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, July 1, 1889. 1267

## To Let.

ROOMS in 'COLONIAL CHAMBERS,' No. 9, SEVEN TERRACE, from 1st June, 1889.

At MAGAZINE CAP., 'TURCULUM.' A very Comfortable, and very Cool 5-ROOMED HOUSE, with TENNIS COURT, &c.—From 1st September.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Hongkong, July 6, 1889. 832

## To Let.

HOUSE No. 2, 'SMITH'S VILLAS,' Magazine Cap., a spacious FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, with Basement and Out-houses. Excellent view. Expected to be ready in August next.

Apply to F. BLACKHEAD & Co., Hongkong, July 2, 1889. 1284

## To Let.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 2, DOUGLAS VILLAS.

Possession from 1st May.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Hongkong, March 30, 1889. 603

## To Let.

(With Immediate Possession.)

NO. 4, QUEEN'S GARDENS. Rent 890 and taxes.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central, Hongkong, May 21, 1889. 147

## To Let.

OFFICES in VICTORIA BUILDINGS TO BE LET with immediate possession.

Apply to ARTHUR. B. RODKÉ, Hongkong, June 3, 1889. 1075

## To Let.

TWO ROOMS in a House on the CAINE ROAD LEVEL, in a highly respectable locality. FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED.

Immediate Possession.

Apply to A. B. C., China Mail Office, Hongkong, March 30, 1889. 602

## To Let.

From 1st August.

TOP FLAT No. 1, BLUE BUILDING.

Address: E., c/o OFFICE OF THIS PAPER, Hongkong, June 29, 1889. 1263

## To Let.

3-STORYED HOUSES, Nos. 37 & 43, WANCHAI. Rents moderate.

Apply to YEE HING, No. 5, Wanchai, Hongkong, July 15, 1889. 1386

## To Let.

10 LOT at the PEAK, to the end of September, part of a FURNISHED HOUSE.

Apply to X., c/o MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Hongkong, July 12, 1889. 1364

## INSURANCES.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

By Order of the Directors, E. W. MAITLAND, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 16, 1889. 1386

## FIRE INSURANCE.

FURTHER REDUCTION IN RATES.

THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY now accept GODOWNS and other FIRST-CLASS RISKS at 1 1/2 per annum.

The total accumulated funds of the Company exceed £6,000,000 sterling.

Apply to MELOCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 22, 1889. 1219

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

—DORKE, American ship, Captain J. H. Frost, Russell & Co.

—AMPHITRIT, German ship, Captain B. Bowell.—Order.

—CONSTANCE, British ship, Capt. Singley, Wing Tai Loong.

—DAGMAR, Danish brig, Capt. C. Paulsen, Gilmer & Co.

—IRON, French barque, Captain Regnier, Melchers & Co.

—MABEL TAYLOR, British ship, Capt. Chas. E. Durker, Melchers & Co.

—RICHARD PARSONS, Amoy, Capt. W. F. Thorndike.

—SAMUSSA, British barque, Captain A. G. Swanson.—Edward Schellbach & Co.

—VELOCITY, British barque, Captain R. Martin.—Puetau & Co.

—RAMBLE THROUGH SOUTHERN FORMOSA.—By Mr. G. TAYLOR.

This Article, which has been reprinted from the *China Review*, contains one of the best Sketches of Formosan Life yet written.

A few roughly-executed Woodcuts are included in the pamphlet.

May be had—Price, \$1—at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Limited, Hongkong; also, Mr. N. Moyle, Amoy.

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## Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL,

TUESDAY and THURSDAY,

23rd and 25th July, 1889.

—SUPPORTED BY

MISS MINNA FISCHER,

Mr. GEO. CLUTCHER,

and the kind assistance of

LADY & GENTL. AMATEURS,

will give

TWO GRAND FAREWELL ENTERTAINMENTS,

On the above dates, prior to her departure for London.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

tory to give, in every time bargain, the registered numbers of the shares sold; and a properly-constituted Stock Exchange might restrain to a considerable extent the manœuvres of 'bulls' and 'bear'. But a more effective remedy, we think, lies in the directors and managers of public companies giving more frequent and fuller details of work done by their concerns. The more information that obtained the smaller is the margin of uncertainty and, consequently, of speculation. A considerable latitude must always be allowed for place like Hongkong, where the sensitiveness, due to heat and the amount of tropical blood in the Colony, is great, and where reports and rumours have a quicker effect than they have in colder regions, among a cold, calculating race. But as a rule, even in Hongkong, the fluctuations caused by gambling do not continue long in one direction, unless there is an extraordinary element of disturbance, such as occurred recently in connection with one or two stocks; and in general, whatever interested speculators may say to the contrary, the quoted market prices are not so very far from the figures which the past history and future prospect of the companies naturally point to.

Mr. Wodehouse has seldom shown more clearly than he did yesterday afternoon the obstinacy and drowsiness which unfortunately often mar his performance of the Magisterial duty. He has an honest intention to be impartial and to mete out what he considers justice, but in carrying out his intentions he often sets law and common sense at defiance. And he is all the more likely to do this if his vanity is hurt by any one who bluntly differs from him. Mr. Wotton is not over-tender for the failings of Mr. Wodehouse, and it may be that the directness with which he told His Worship that he would be doing wrong if he followed a certain course, made Mr. Wodehouse all the more determined to take that course. The difficulty arises with regard to certain squatters, or settlers, in Wong-nai-chong valley, whose families lived on the land before the Colony existed and have continued to live ever since, paying a yearly rent or license fee of 44 cents. Two years ago the Government resolved to raise the rents of squatters in Hongkong from 4 cents to \$1. The Wong-nai-chong people would not pay this increase and petitioned the Government. Their petition was not favourably entertained, and as no rent had been paid for two years the land bailiffs brought them before the Police Court on a charge of trespassing. This he had absolutely no right to do. If the Government was determined to clear them out of the place, the only lawful course was to raise an action of ejectment in the Summary Court. The Magistrate has power to punish those who squat down on land for which they have obtained no lease; but the settlers at Wong-nai-chong cannot be held as ordinary squatters coming under the section of the old ordinance, which says:—'No private person shall occupy or erect any building or other thing sooner upon land not being under lease from the Crown, without the licence of the Surveyor General.' These settlers, from the very fact of the Government allowing them to remain there 47 years in possession of the land they held before we came here, and escaping from them an annual rent, gain a position quite different to that of the ordinary squatter who breaks the law laid down in the ordinance mentioned. They were really tenants of the Government, however informal their leases were, and could no more be punished by the Police Court for not paying their rent than any other tenant in the Colony. And, if the tenants would not pay, the authorities were also justified in ejecting the people. But the Court to which they ought to have applied to obtain the necessary power to deal with the settlers was not a Criminal Court, but a Civil Court. The want of consideration shown for these old tenants of the Government in bringing them up before the Police Court is in harmony with the attitude taken up with regard to the squatter question by the late Surveyor General. In opposition to the Land Committee, of which the former Chief Justice was Chairman, he held that if 'squatters' land were taken by the Government no compensation ought to be given for disturbance, however long the people might have been on the land. The general community and, we believe, several members of the Government were directly opposed to Mr. Price in this view. These old tenants are undoubtedly entitled to consideration. They are quite a different class from those who land in the Colony in the course of migration and pitch their tents on the first convenient plot of land they come to. Of course, they cannot be allowed to hold their small lots for nothing, and must submit to have their rents raised like those of other people. As is always the case with Chinese, stubborn opposition is raised at first, but if the authorities go about their work in the proper and legal fashion, we are sure they will soon overcome these obstacles. As the Land Bailiff showed in his evidence, the whole question is one of rent. The Government have only to set before the people the alternative of ejectment and payment, and we are sure payment will be forthcoming, as it has been in all other cases.

OUTWARD BOUND.—*Sundays, Endowment, June 14; Westmeath, 21; Yorkshire, Tai-ching, Victoria, 5; Farnham, Tidmarsh, Hause, 28; Argo, July 2; Millfield, Albany, 5; Andover, Bursary, Glen-eagles, Flintshire, Riberdyde, 9; Northern, 12.**Homeward Bound.—Spindrift, June 18; Badsworth, 23; Audley, Breconshire, Bumby, July 2; Gloucestershire, 6; Dinedor, Gwent, 9; Agarmon, Oster, Stretton, Guy Manerion, 12.*

The P. & O. Co.'s *s.s. Thomas*, with the English Mail of June 22, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 16th July, at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 21st inst.

The Canadian Pacific Co.'s *str. Farthis*, from Vancouver, left Yokohama for Nagasaki, Shanghai and Hongkong on 13th July.

The Canadian Pacific Co.'s *Port Fairy* left Vancouver for Japan, &c., on the 10th July.

The D. R. & C. Co.'s *Electra*, from Bamburgh, left Singapore on the 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst.

The O. S. & Co.'s *a. a. Prometheus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on 16th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst.

The O. S. & Co.'s *a. a. Prometheus*, from London, leaves Singapore on the 21st inst., and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The P. & O. Co.'s other steamer *Gavilar* left Bombay for Singapore and this port on the 10th July.

ORDER OF CHORAL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—*6TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.* Matins.—Venite, Baruch; Psalms, Smart & Pte; Te Deum, Baruch in D; Jubilate, Hymn; Anthem, Sweet is Thy Mercy, Lord; Kyrie, Ixors, No. 11; Hymn, 231.

Evensong.—Psalms, Croch & Medley; Magnificat, Macfarren; Nunc Dimitis, Falton; Hymns, 215 & 271.

Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. inform us that the a.m. *Glenton*, from London for this port, will leave Singapore to-morrow.

DIVINE SERVICE FOR SEAMEN.—On Sunday morning, between 9 and 10:30 o'clock, the steam launch carrying the Bethel flag will call alongside any vessel hoisting code pendant C, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, returning about 12:30.

ANOTHER large seizure of alleged contraband opium was made by the police last night, and under somewhat peculiar circumstances. Constable Thomas Moffat, of the Western District, while patrolling Fray West about half-past twelve, saw half-a-dozen coolies carrying mat-bags across to a wharf, and on his going to investigate, the men bolted. Some of them got into a boat which was lying at the wharf, apparently waiting for the opium, one ran back to the place from which the constable had seen the bags brought, and another, being unable to get out of the way in time, was arrested. The bags, of which there were six, were found to contain 120 bags of Patna opium, the total amounting to three chests, worth about \$1,600. The most remarkable feature of the case is that the place from which the opium was taken is the Opium Farmer's 'boiling factory'. The man who ran back there had shut the door and put out the light, and when the constable went to make inquiries at the establishment about the mysterious proceedings, he met with a general 'No answer.' The opium was duly taken charge of in the name of the law, and the man who had been 'colonized' was taken to the Central Station. He gave his name as Luk Tai and described himself as a cook. He was brought before Mr. Pollock in the Police Court today, and charged with being in possession of raw opium in less quantities than a chest, to wit 120 bags of Patna Opium. Constable Moffat in giving his evidence said the prisoner, when arrested stated that he had been employed by another man to assist in carrying the opium. Mr. J. J. Spooner, chief excise officer employed by the Opium Farmer, asked His Worship to remand the case, on the ground that the opium might be the property of the Opium Farmer, who was entitled, by his contract with the Government, to have raw opium in his possession in less quantities than a chest. He had no instructions to claim the opium on behalf of the Opium Farmer, and was merely going on the constable's evidence. The Opium Farmer had a right to remove opium from his factory in Fray West to the other one at Yaumati. For this reason, and also in order that the Opium Farmer's solicitor might appear in the case, he asked for a remand. His Worship granted the remand, till the 26th inst., and fixed the prisoner's bail at \$1,000, in one or two sureties.

COAL IN CEYLON.—The last thing of value to be discovered in Ceylon is good bituminous coal, lumps of which were found by Mr. Gee Armstrong adhering to some samples of plumbago which he was examining in the office of the Eastern Products and Estates Company—samples which had recently been dug from the Rothschild estate, Pussellawa. Lignite has been frequently found, generally in the form of wood, in process of being fossilized. Anthracitic formations are also known to exist in Ceylon, one of the largest and most perfect specimens of anthracite in the British Museum being labelled as

A. THURSDAY, ABOUT 'POOR JOE.'—Everybody who has read Dickens' 'Black & Blue' says a writer in the New York *Ledger* remembers 'Poor Joe,' the persecuted little crossing-sweeper, who 'knew nothing' and was continually being oppressed by the police, to 'move on.' The other day, while examining a copy of the London Times of January 1860, for a very different purpose, we stumbled upon the report of a police case which, in all probability, augured the novelist's character in question. A ragged lad, about twelve years old, having been placed in the witness box, the presiding Magistrate asked him if he knew who 'Sack' was? 'No, I don't,' he reply. The Justice was annoyed.

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That the complicated question of Emigration ought not to be dealt with by legislation until the Emigration Officer is put on the Council.

That the railway or tramway round the Island is beginning to be talked of as a necessity by commercial men, and if the Government are at all liberal, it may soon be taken in hand, as the Peak will certainly not hold us.

That the enterprising speculators of Hongkong are not content with owning half of Borneo, and a large portion of the Malay peninsula, but are now exploiting Tonquin.

That Admiral Salmon, the mouthpiece of the Whitehall magnates, does not show to advantage, and the matter of the Fishermen's Fund will not be heard of again, in Parliament.

That because we are a Crown Colony, and make no cry to Downing Street, the Home authorities sometimes think they can break with us to any extent.

That when this goes down the Home official will do his best to have the 'brass' to add for increased military contribution, over and above the interest on our money for all those years.

That the confidential members must be ready to resist that demand.

That I am sorry to hear the health of Sir William De Vaux is not quite what his friends desire it to be, or equal to what many of his many duties demand, and that rumours of leave of absence next year are floating around the Colony.

That the celebrated 'crimping' case has come to a very lame and impotent conclusion.

That this result was brought about by the united action of the 'crimped' lukens and the worthy Magistrate.

That the lueng allowed himself to be emigrated and immigrated with too much complaisance, i.e., he overdid his part, and they must be repaired some time, and why not properly and at once?

That people are asking whether the Finance Committee blocks the way.

That the little experiment with cement abroad of the Club should be taken to heart by those concerned.

That solid stone linings, with properly-pointed joints, are needed to withstand the rush of storm-water down Hongkong gradients, and any makeshift expedients are mere waste of money.

That the rumbling of the Tramway has not been regunned, much to the annoyance of one portion of the community, and the positive inconvenience of another.

That the Perpetual Wait Department, if feasible in other directions, is all-powerful as an obstructionist.

That as the disaster to the track was in no sense the result of the Company's negligence, and rather tended to increase than diminish confidence in the ears, a sensible Government ought to have assisted rather than delayed the traffic.

That the present bolt-to-bolt and rivet-to-rivet inspection appears to be a reflection upon the opening survey.

That it is high time the Tramway received baptism and a distinctive appellation.

That it is somewhat strange the Chinese have not yet hit upon something appropriate.

That perchance the coolie is too dense, and the literate too highfalutin.'

That the former probably couldn't rise above Malacca, while the latter would have to sour to the realm of perfect impracticability.

That the Chinese scholar is nothing if not prigish.

That the Directors might employ themselves during their enforced leisure in devising a fitting designation.

That 'more for joss-house, or 'mosse near Kew-dy house' are delightfully vague directions, even if occasionally effective.

That the Malays under somewhat similar circumstances showed themselves more ready.

That when the first Java telegraph-cable was laid, they at once named it, to them, perfect novelty, *tali cholup*, 'string talk.'

That 'sic transit gloria mundi' so much as that *et cetera* *ciborum* is already almost forgotten.

That its memory is only kept alive by such feeble little piazzas, as referring to the Pot and Kettle case.

That the grand moral deduction to be made and the instructive lessons to be learned are 'as the flower of the field, that to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven.'

That it might perhaps be well for neophytes to entirely lose sight of the Chinese than anything else.

That Hawkoo, and all the ports, should import a goodly supply of Penang lawyers, and (if possible) a high-pressure fire engine, and by these means disperse a crowd, as soon as ever it is formed—which would nip riots in the bud.

That there is no logic like the logic of the gunboat for such troubles, but the logic of a high-pressure jet of cold water would perhaps take the place of the gunboat, though it hardly going *cold* feet in an appearance.

BROWNSTEIN.

That our very neighbour Customs Commissioner of Kowloon is a model of tact and diplomacy, serving his Department as he does, with great ability and with an almost entire absence of friction.

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